or limitation of knowledge capable of error, mis-
presentation, mistaken or misdirected development
from the known, of uncertain gropings towards the
unknown, of partial creations and buildings, a
constant half-position between truth and error^
knowledge and nescience. But this ignorance in fact
proceeds, however stumblingly, upon knowledge and
towards knowledge; it is inherently capable of
shedding the limitation, the mixture, and can turn
by that liberation into the Truth-Consciousness^
into a power of the original Knowledge. Our
enquiry has so far led rather in the second direction;
it points towards the conclusion that' the nature of
our consciousness is not of a character that would
justify the hypothesis of a Cosmic Illusion as the
solution of its problem. A problem exists, but it
consists in the mixture of Knowledge with Ignorance
in our cognition of self and things, and it is the
origin of this imperfection that we have to discover.
There is no need of bringing in an original power
of Illusion always mysteriously existent in the
eternal Reality or else intervening and imposing a
world of non-existent forms on a Consciousness or
Superconscience that is for ever pure,

eternal and
absolute.